

Ninety-Ninth Legislature - First Session - 2005 Committee Statement LB 177

Hearing Date: January 19, 2005

Committee On: Health and Human Services

Introducer(s): (Jensen)

Title: Change provisions relating to alcohol and drug counselors

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

X Advanced to General File with Amendments

Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

7 Yes Senator Jensen, Byars, Cunningham, Erdman, Johnson, Stuthman

and Howard

No

Present, not voting

Absent

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Jensen Introducer

Jim Cole The Nebraska Psychological Association

David Buntain Nebraska Medical Association

Opponents: Representing:

Randall Coslor The Nebraska Board of Alcohol and Drug

Counseling

Neutral: Representing:

Linda Wittmus Nebraska Health and Human Services System

Summary of purpose and/or changes: LB 177 relates to the licensure of alcohol and drug counselors. The bill deletes a requirement that psychologists and physicians who serve as a practical training supervisor for persons seeking provisional licensure as an alcohol and drug counselor (section 71-1,356) or as a clinical supervisor for supervised clinical work experience required for licensure as an alcohol and drug counselor (section 71-1,358) to have "specialized training in alcohol and drug counseling and the twelve core functions sufficient to protect the public."

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Senator Jim Jensen, Chairperson
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